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**Office Action Summary**

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**Status**

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 11/5/03.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

**Disposition of Claims**

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-40 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-40 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

**Application Papers**

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☒ The drawing(s) filed on 11/5/03 is/are: a) ☒ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
- Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
- Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

**Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119**

- 12) ☒ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☒ All b) ☐ Some \* c) ☐ None of:
- ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
  - ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. \_\_\_\_\_.
  - ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

\* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

**Attachment(s)**

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| 1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)   | 4) <input type="checkbox"/> Interview Summary (PTO-413)<br>Paper No(s)/Mail Date. _____ |
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## **DETAILED ACTION**

### ***Specification***

1. The disclosure is objected to because of the following informalities: priority data should be included on page 1 of the specification.

Appropriate correction is required.

2. The abstract of the disclosure is objected to because "Fig. 1" on line 28 should be deleted. Correction is required. See MPEP § 608.01(b).

### ***Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102***

3. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(e) the invention was described in (1) an application for patent, published under section 122(b), by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent or (2) a patent granted on an application for patent by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent, except that an international application filed under the treaty defined in section 351(a) shall have the effects for purposes of this subsection of an application filed in the United States only if the international application designated the United States and was published under Article 21(2) of such treaty in the English language.

4. Claims 1-40 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Liu et al., US Patent Number 6,940,848 (hereinafter Liu).

Regarding claims 1, 26, 37, and 40, Liu teaches A method of establishing connection in a communication system, the connection involving a mobile station subscribing first mobile communications network and roaming second mobile communications network, communication system comprising a first connection management entity provided in association with the first mobile communication network

and second connection management entity provided in association with the second mobile communication network, the method comprising: registering the roaming mobile station with the second mobile communications network; registering the roaming mobile station with the second connection management entity; in response to a request for a connection involving the roaming mobile station, routing signaling that associates with the request to one of the connection management entities; setting up a communications link between the first second mobile communications networks via a third communications network by means the first and second connection management entities based on said signaling associated with the request; and establishing the requested connection by means the communications link, the first mobile communications network and the second mobile communications network [col. 2: lines 7-25].

Regarding claims 2-8 and 27-33, Liu teaches the third communications network comprises a packet switched data network including Internet Protocol and voice over IP. As Liu teaches a packet switched data network it is inherent that it can include a frame relay or ATM network [col. 2: lines 7-14; col. 14: lines 11-13].

Regarding claims 9-13, 25, and 34, Liu teaches the claimed methods for requesting the connection for the roaming mobile station [col. 3: lines 42-67].

Regarding claims 14-24, 35, 36, 38, and 39, Liu teaches claimed methods for dropping various connections and storing and sending information regarding the connection management entities [col. 3: lines 42-67].

***Conclusion***

5. The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure.

Akgun et al, US Patent Application Publication Number 2004/0029585, disclose a system and method for a universal wireless access gateway.

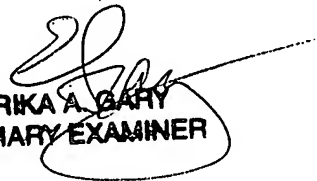
Borella et al., US Patent Number 6,697,354, disclose a method and system for distributed network address translation for mobile network devices.

6. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Erika A. Gary whose telephone number is 571-272-7841. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Thursday and alternate Fridays.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Marsha Banks-Harold can be reached on 571-272-7905. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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